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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, OCTOBER 18, 2002

APPLICATION OF

SOUTHWESTERN VIRGINIA
GAS COMPANY

CASE NO. PUE-2002-00517

For an expedited increase in rates

AMENDING ORDER

On September 23, 2002, Southwestern Virginia Gas Company ("SVGC" or the "Company") filed a rate application, supporting testimony and exhibits with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") for an expedited increase in rates. The Company requested in its application that its increase be allowed to go into effect for bills rendered on and after October 31, 2002.

On October 11, 2002, the Commission entered an Order for Notice and Hearing on SVGC's application. The second paragraph of the notice in Ordering Paragraph (6) of the order states that the rates are proposed to go into effect for service rendered on and after October 31, 2002, and that the Company may put its rates into effect on an interim basis subject to refund on that date.

Because the notice misstates the Company's request, it should be revised to reflect that the request is for the proposed rates to go into effect for bills rendered on and after

October 31, 2002. However, we will permit the proposed rates to go into effect only for *service rendered* on and after October 28, 2002.

NOW THE COMMISSION, having considered this matter, is of the opinion that Ordering Paragraph (2) and the second paragraph of the notice in Ordering Paragraph (6) of our October 11, 2002, Order for Notice and Hearing should be amended.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- (1) Ordering Paragraph (2) of our October 11, 2002, Order for Notice and Hearing shall be amended to state that SVGC may put its rates into effect on an interim basis subject to refund for service rendered on and after October 28, 2002.
- (2) The second paragraph of Ordering Paragraph (6) shall be amended to read:

The rates are proposed to go into effect for bills rendered on and after October 31, 2002. SVGC may put its rates into effect on an interim basis subject to refund for service rendered on and after October 28, 2002.

(3) All other provisions of the October 11, 2002, Order for Notice and Hearing in this matter shall remain in full force and effect.